

Proclamation

Habitat for Humanity International works to eliminate poverty housing and homelessness from the world. They have built more than 200,000 houses around the world, providing more than 1,000,000 people with a place to live. The seven Hawai'i affiliates use local labor and financial resources to build and renovate decent, affordable housing for families in need on five of our islands.

Hawai'i Habitat for Humanity's work directly addresses the growing homelessness and housing problems that are facing our state. These community organizations help families who cannot afford a traditional mortgage build their own home.

In addition to providing comfortable physical surroundings, home ownership can improve the quality of life for our residents by instilling a sense of pride and responsibility in these new owners. In addition to low monthly mortgage, taxes, and insurance payments, each homeowner family invests 500 "sweat equity" hours into the construction of their home.

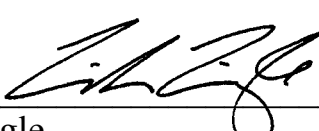
The third annual Hawai'i Habitat for Humanity Build-a-Thon is a public awareness and fundraising event that will take place across the state. The 24-hour event gives volunteers the opportunity to work on construction projects or participate in the "Building Communities Walk." Proceeds raised will directly benefit the building projects on the island where the event is held.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR., Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim **June 10, 2006**, as

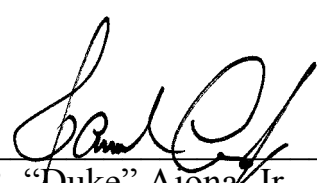
HAWAI`I HABITAT FOR HUMANITY BUILD-A-THON DAY

in the Aloha State, and call upon our residents to observe this day by volunteering their time to help Habitat for Humanity build affordable homes for the citizens of our state.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eighteenth day of May 2006.



Linda Lingle
Governor, State of Hawai'i



James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i